

**RESOLUTION
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

WHEREAS, the Regional Planning Commission of the County of Los Angeles conducted a public hearing on September 30, 2015 to consider an amendment to Title 22 (Planning and Zoning) of the Los Angeles County Code relating to establishing an Animal Facility Ordinance.

WHEREAS, the Commission finds as follows:

1. On March 3, 2009 the Board made a motion directing the Chief Executive Officer to work with the Directors of Animal Care and Control, Public Works, Public Health, and the Acting Planning Director, in consultation with County Counsel and the District Attorney, to review the existing County regulations governing the location, size, and operation of dog kennels and dog breeding facilities and make recommendations, including proposed ordinance amendments, for improving the quality of care for the animals and ensuring responsible and safe *dog breeding*.
2. The Zoning Ordinance currently lists dog kennels, a boarding facility for dogs, as permitted or conditionally permitted in Zones A-2 (Heavy Agricultural), C-M (Commercial-Industrial), and M-1 (Light Industrial), but does not provide a definition of the use.
3. The draft ordinance introduces a new land use, Animal Facility, and defines it as a boarding and/or breeding facility for cats and dogs as regulated in Title 10 (Animals).
4. The draft ordinance requires a Conditional Use Permit in the C-M (Commercial Manufacturing) Zone. An Animal Facility is permitted in the A-2 (Heavy Agricultural) and M-1 (Light Manufacturing) Zones.
5. The draft ordinance is consistent with the goals and policies of the General Plan in that new development will be compatible with the natural and manmade environment by implementing appropriate locational controls and high quality design standards. Zones A-2 (Heavy Agricultural) and M-1 (Light Industrial) currently allows animal-related land uses. Zone C-M (Commercial-Industrial) currently allows a similar animal related use (dog kennels) with approval of a Conditional Use Permit.
6. The Department of Regional Planning has determined that a Negative Declaration is the appropriate environmental documentation under California Environmental Quality Act reporting requirements. Potential impacts were evaluated and determined to be insignificant.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Regional Planning Commission recommends to the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles as follows:

Regional Planning Commission
Animal Facility Ordinance
September 30, 2015

1. Hold a public hearing to consider the proposed amendment to Title 22 (Planning and Zoning Ordinance) of the Los Angeles County Code relating to Animal Facilities;
2. That the Board certify completion of and approve the attached Negative Declaration and find that the amendment to Title 22 (Zoning Ordinance) of the Los Angeles County Code will not have a significant effect on the environment; and
3. That the Board adopt the amendment as recommended by this Commission and amend Title 22 accordingly, and determine that the amendment is consistent with the goals and policies of the Los Angeles County General Plan.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by a majority of the voting members of the Regional Planning Commission of the County of Los Angeles on September 30, 2015.

Rosie O. Ruiz, Secretary
Regional Planning Commission
County of Los Angeles

APPROVED AS TO FORM: OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

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